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In re Application of:

Bringmann et al.

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Title: NOVEL FIBROBLAST GROWTH FACTORS

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of NonProvisional Application dated January 7, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, lines 1-11 with the following new paragraph:

For example, protein sequences of FGF-20 and -23 were aligned, and amino acid motifs were generated based on the conserved areas of homology as shown in Figs. 1 and 2. The present invention relates to any nucleic acid or polypeptide sequences thereof, e.g., polypeptides which comprises three or more conserved or homologous residues, such as, e.g., LYGS (SEQ ID NO: 9), HFLP (SEQ ID NO: 10), VQGTR (SEQ ID NO: 11), RIEENGHNITY (SEQ ID NO: 12), QFEENWYNTY (SEQ ID NO: 13), AGTPSA (SEQ ID